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47 Male  
53 Female  
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Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm calling from Hart-Teeter for NBC News and The Wall Street Journal. We're conducting a confidential poll of public opinion across the country. Of the people living in your household who are at least 18 years old, including those who are not home right now, can you tell me who had the most recent birthday? (If PERSON DOESN'T KNOW ALL THE BIRTHDAYS, SAY:) Well, of the ones you do know, who had the last birthday? May I speak to that person please? (If PERSON WITH MOST RECENT BIRTHDAY IS NOT HOME, FIND OUT WHEN HE/SHE WILL RETURN AND MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO CALL BACK.)

(If RESPONDENT INDICATES THAT HE/SHE IS THE ONE WITH THE MOST RECENT BIRTHDAY, SAY:) Here is my first question. (PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO QUESTION #1--DO NOT PAUSE.)

(If RESPONDENT INDICATES THAT HE/SHE IS NOT THE ONE TO HAVE THE MOST RECENT BIRTHDAY, ASK TO SPEAK TO THE PERSON WHO DID. AFTER RESPONDENT COMES TO THE PHONE, SAY:)

Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm calling from Hart-Teeter for NBC News and The Wall Street Journal. We're conducting a confidential poll of public opinion across the country. Are you at least 18 years old and the person with the most recent birthday of all the adults living in this household? (If "YES," SAY:) Here is my first question. (PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO QUESTION #1--DO NOT PAUSE.)

1a. Are you currently registered to vote in the precinct or election district where you now live, or haven't you had a chance to register yet?

Yes	100	[15]	CONTINUE
No			TERMINATE AND DO NOT COUNT
Not sure			

2. All in all, do you think things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

Right direction	42	47	44	49	41	42	[16]
Wrong track	38	32	31	29	35	34	
Mixed (VOL)	16	13	20	17	19	19	
Not sure	4	8	5	5	5	5	
	5/90	4/90	3/90	1/90	11/89	9/89	

Final

3. I'm going to read you the names of several people who are active in politics. I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name of a person, please just say so. (READ EACH NAME AND REPEAT CHOICES. START FROM THE BOTTOM AND WORK YOUR WAY UP ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)

George Bush ..... 28 40 15 11 5 1 [19]  
 March 1990 ..... 32 37 15 10 5 1  
 December 1989 ..... 28 33 21 11 5 2  
 November 1989 ..... 24 38 17 11 8 2

James Baker ..... 12 32 24 12 8 12 [20]

Dan Quayle ..... 7 22 29 18 19 5 [21]  
 March 1990 ..... 7 21 28 17 19 8  
 November 1989 ..... 7 22 26 17 21 7

Mikhail Gorbachev ..... 19 40 19 10 6 6 [22]  
 December 1989 ..... 15 36 26 11 6 6  
 November 1989 ..... 13 41 20 10 8 8

4. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job George Bush is doing as president?

5/90 4/90 3/90 1/90 11/89 9/89  
 Approve ..... 72 75 69 71 67 67 [23]  
 Disapprove ..... 21 15 19 19 22 17  
 Not sure ..... 7 10 12 10 11 16

- 5a. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job George Bush is doing in handling the economy?

5/90 4/90 3/90 1/90 11/89 9/89  
 Approve ..... 51 59 53 54 52 61 [24]  
 Disapprove ..... 40 30 35 31 33 24  
 Not sure ..... 9 11 12 15 15 15

- 5b. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job George Bush is doing in handling our foreign policy?

5/90 4/90 3/90 1/90 11/89 9/89  
 Approve ..... 67 70 67 69 59 58 [25]  
 Disapprove ..... 25 22 22 21 27 26  
 Not sure ..... 8 8 11 10 14 16

6a. Looking ahead to the election for U.S. Congress in 1990, do you plan to vote for the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate in your district?

	5/90	3/90	1/90	11/89	9/89
Vote for the Republican candidate	34	25	26	27	29
Vote for the Democratic candidate	33	34	31	32	32
Depends (VOL)	22	29	33	28	24
Neither (VOL)	1	2	2	1	1
Not sure	10	10	8	12	14

6b. Would you rather see Vice-President Dan Quayle or Secretary of State James Baker be the vice-presidential candidate on the Republican ticket with George Bush in 1992?

Quayle	25
Baker	47
Both equally (VOL)	2
Neither (VOL)	13
Not sure	13

7a. Over the past year, do you think the national economy has gotten better, gotten worse, or stayed about the same?

	5/90	4/90	3/90	1/90	11/89	9/89
Better	11	12	13	12	15	18
Worse	36	30	37	29	34	23
About the same	52	56	48	57	49	57
Not sure	1	2	2	2	2	2

7b. During the next year, do you think the national economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	5/90	4/90	3/90	1/90	11/89	9/89
Better	22	24	21	22	21	25
Worse	32	29	30	28	33	23
About the same	41	42	44	44	39	43
Not sure	5	5	5	6	7	9

7c. Do you think there will or will not be an economic recession during the next twelve months?

	5/90	4/90	3/90	1/90
Will be an economic recession	30	23	30	31
Will not be an economic recession	57	64	56	56
Not sure	13	13	14	13

8a. I'd like to read you a list of economic issues. As of right now, which one do you feel is the most important issue facing the country? (READ LIST SLOWLY. START FROM BOTTOM AND WORK YOUR WAY UP ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW. ACCEPT ONLY ONE ANSWER AND RECORD BELOW UNDER 0.8a.)

5/90	9	[33]	13	12	9/89
Unemployment	22		20	23	23
Interest rates	5		5	4	4
The federal budget deficit	35		30	29	32
Federal taxes	9		7	7	8
The U.S. trade deficit	14		17	18	15
All equally important (VOL)	4		6	5	4
None is important (VOL)	1		1	-	-
Not sure	1		1	2	2
<div> <div>SKIP TO Q.9a.</div> </div>					

8b. And which of these is the second most important? (READ REMAINING CHOICES AND RECORD UNDER 0.8b.)

5/90	17	[34]	17	16	9/89
Inflation	13		18	16	15
Unemployment	7		7	7	7
Interest rates	16		18	20	19
The federal budget deficit	14		12	11	13
Federal taxes	25		17	20	22
The U.S. trade deficit	2		3	3	4
Not sure	6		8	7	6
No most important issue					

9a. Thinking about your personal financial situation in the past three months, have you found it to be a period in which you have been cutting down on purchases and other spending, have you been increasing your purchases and other spending during the past three months, or has there been little change over the past three months?

Cutting down	41	45	41	[37]
Increasing	15	13	16	
Little change	43	42	42	
Not sure/refused	1	-	1	
	5/90	3/90	1/90 *	

9b. Thinking about your personal financial situation in the past three months, have you found it to be a period in which you have been cutting down on savings and other investments, have you been increasing your savings and other investments during the past three months, or has there been little change over the past three months?

Cutting down	24	25	29	[38]
Increasing	23	20	23	
Little change	52	54	47	
Not sure/refused	1	1	1	
	5/90	3/90	1/90 *	

\* In January 1990, these questions read "in the past year."

10. Do you think the Cold War between the United States and the Soviet Union is still going on, or is it mostly over?

Cold War still going on	44	41	46	46	[39]
Cold War mostly over	49	51	40	46	
Not sure	7	8	14	8	
	5/90	3/90	12/89	11/89	

11a. Do you feel the United States should or should not help the Soviet Union in strengthening its economy?

Should	38	45	45	[40]
Should not	50	40		
Depends (VOL)	6	8		
Not sure	6	7		
	5/90	12/89		

11b. Do you think that over the next several years the goal of the United States should be to remove almost all of its nuclear weapons from Europe, or do you think it will be important that we always maintain at least some nuclear weapons there?

U.S. should remove almost all its nuclear weapons	22	[41]
U.S. should always maintain some nuclear weapons	70	
U.S. should increase the number of nuclear weapons it has in Europe (VOL)	1	
Depends (VOL)	4	
Not sure	3	

12a. Do you favor or oppose the United States directly negotiating with groups that are holding American hostages in the Middle East?

Favor ..... 45 [44]  
 Oppose ..... 48  
 Not sure ..... 7

12b. Do you approve or disapprove of President Bush's handling of the situation involving the American hostages in the Middle East?

Approve ..... 59 [45]  
 Disapprove ..... 29  
 Not sure ..... 12

12c. In order to gain the release of American hostages in the Middle East, would you favor or oppose the United States putting pressure on the government of Israel to release the Arab prisoners who are being held for their involvement with terrorism?

Favor ..... 48 [46]  
 Oppose ..... 43  
 Not sure ..... 9

13. For each of the following areas, please tell me if among the major countries in the world you feel America is the very best, one of the best, about average, one of the worst, or the very worst. (READ EACH ITEM AND REPEAT CHOICES. START FROM THE BOTTOM AND WORK YOUR WAY UP ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)

	The Very Best	One Of The Best	About Average	One Of The Worst	The Very Worst	Not Sure
Being a military power .....	28	57	12	1	—	2 [47]
Dealing with illiteracy, people not being able to read and write .....	5	26	47	23	3	2 [48]
Being an economic power .....	12	46	33	6	—	3 [49]
Protecting individual freedoms .....	29	42	22	5	1	1 [50]
Preventing the illegal use of drugs .....	4	12	40	33	9	2 [51]
Having a strong public educational system .....	5	27	44	19	4	1 [52]
Combating violent crime .....	3	15	52	24	5	1 [53]
Having a high standard of living .....	19	48	27	4	1	1 [54]
Eliminating homelessness .....	4	12	44	30	7	3 [55]

14. Congress is considering a law that would require companies to give employees up to three months of unpaid leave for the birth or adoption of a child, or to care for a seriously ill family member, while guaranteeing their job. Would you favor or oppose this law, even if it means additional costs for business?

Favor ..... 69 [56]  
 Oppose ..... 26  
 Not sure ..... 5

15a. How much do you think the upcoming summit between Presidents Bush and Gorbachev can improve relations between the U.S. and the Soviet Union--a great deal, quite a bit, just some, or very little?

5/90 12/89 \* Do you think the summit has improved relations...

[59]

A great deal . . . . . 26  
 Quite a bit . . . . . 28  
 Just some . . . . . 33  
 Very little . . . . . 11  
 Not sure . . . . . 2  
 9

15b. In the past, the U.S. and the Soviet Union have had a policy of trying to reach agreements to relax tensions between them. Do you think the Russians can be trusted now to live up to such agreements, or do you think they cannot be trusted?

5/90 11/89  
 Russians can be trusted . . . . . 41  
 Russians cannot be trusted . . . . . 45  
 Depends (VOL) . . . . . 9  
 Not sure . . . . . 5  
 6

15c. Do you feel that President Bush should or should not require the Soviet Union to recognize Lithuania as an independent country as a condition to making any agreements between the United States and the Soviet Union at the upcoming summit?

Should make a Lithuanian independence a condition . . . 42 [61]  
 Should not make Lithuanian independence a condition . . 43  
 Not sure . . . . . 15

15d. From what you know, do you think President Gorbachev will or will not still be the leader of the Soviet Union two years from now?

Will still be the leader . . . . . 64 [62]  
 Will not still be the leader . . . . . 23  
 Not sure . . . . . 13

15e. If President Gorbachev is no longer the leader of the Soviet Union, do you think the Russians can or cannot be trusted to live up to agreements between the United States and the Soviet Union?

Can be trusted . . . . . 21 [63]  
 Cannot be trusted . . . . . 60  
 Cannot be trusted while Gorbachev is the leader of the Soviet Union (VOL) . . . . . 2  
 Not sure . . . . . 17

15f. For over ten years, the seven most industrialized nations in the world, including the United States, Japan, West Germany, Great Britain, Canada, France, and Italy have held an annual economic summit. Suppose the Soviet Union asks to be included in this year. Do you think the Soviet Union should or should not be included in this year's economic summit?

Soviet Union should be included . . . . . 79 [64]  
 Soviet Union should not be included . . . . . 17  
 Not sure . . . . . 4

Now I'd like to ask you some questions about American competitiveness in the world economy.

16a. Which of the following countries do you think currently has the strongest overall economy? (READ LIST. START FROM BOTTOM AND WORK YOUR WAY UP ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW. RECORD BELOW UNDER O.16a.)

O.16a.	
Strongest Economy	Currently
	Japan.....
69	Germany.....
17	The United States.....
1	The Soviet Union.....
1	Great Britain.....
1	France.....
2	Italy.....
1	South Korea.....
1	Other (VOL).....
3	Not sure.....
O.16b.	
Strongest Economy	Ten Years From Now
41	Japan.....
17	The United States.....
27	The Soviet Union.....
1	Great Britain.....
1	France.....
2	Italy.....
1	South Korea.....
1	Other (VOL).....
10	Not sure.....

16b. And which country do you think will have the strongest economy ten years from now? (READ LIST ABOVE. RECORD ABOVE UNDER O.16a.)

16c. For the last four decades, the United States has been the leader of the free world. Which country or countries do you think are most likely to have the leading role in the future? (READ LIST. START FROM BOTTOM AND WORK YOUR WAY UP ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)

22 [69]	The United States.....
4	Japan.....
5	Europe.....
20	The United States and Japan as equal partners.....
44	The United States, Japan, and Europe as equal partners.....
5	Not sure.....

16d. How important is it for the United States to try to be the world's leading economic power--very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not important at all?

63	Very important.....
31	Somewhat important.....
4	Not very important.....
2	Not important at all.....
1	Not sure.....

17a. In the event that the United States were to go to war in the future, which country do you think would be the most likely opponent? (READ LIST. START FROM THE BOTTOM AND WORK YOUR WAY UP ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)

12	The Soviet Union
11	China
4	Japan
26	Libya
2	Germany
33	Iran
2	Other (VOL)
10	Not sure

17b. Which country do you think is the strongest ally of the United States? (READ LIST. START FROM THE BOTTOM AND WORK YOUR WAY UP ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)

26	Canada
45	Great Britain
1	France
6	West Germany
6	Israel
9	Japan
1	Other (VOL)
6	Not sure

(FORM A)

18a. Among the following foreign policy goals, please choose which one or two you believe should be the most important for the United States. (READ LIST. START FROM THE BOTTOM AND WORK YOUR WAY UP ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW. ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES.)

24	To promote democracy throughout the world
24	To protect the United States from military threats
7	To fight communism
21	To increase the standard of living in the United States
13	To promote the worldwide interests of U.S. businesses
51	To ensure world peace
7	All equally important (VOL)
1	None is important (VOL)
3	Not sure

(75)

(BOTH FORMS)

18b. Do you think Japan should or should not stake out a foreign policy that is independent of the United States?

Should..... 50 [78]  
Should not..... 36  
Not sure..... 14

19. Do you expect your children's generation to enjoy a higher standard of living than your generation?

Yes..... 60 [78]  
No..... 37  
Not sure..... 3

20a. Which nation do you believe is stronger in science and technology right now--the United States or Japan? (RECORD BELOW UNDER O.20a.)

O.20a	Stronger	Now	32	[80]	47	[81]
	Stronger in	Ten Years	45			
			3			
			2			

20b. And which nation do you believe will be stronger in science and technology ten years from now--the United States or Japan? (RECORD ABOVE UNDER O.20b.)

21a. What do you think of the amount of Japanese companies' overall investment in the U.S.--is it too much, about the right amount, or is it too little?

Too much..... 69 [82]  
About the right amount..... 23  
Too little..... 5  
Not sure..... 3

21b. What do you think of the amount of American companies' overall investment in Japan--is it too much, about the right amount, or is it too little?

Too much..... 12 [83]  
About the right amount..... 19  
Too little..... 58  
Not sure..... 11

## (FORM A)

22. Below is a list of the type of investments that a foreigner might make in the United States. Please choose which you think are good for the U.S. economy, and which you think are bad.

	A Good Thing	A Bad Thing	Some Or Both (VOL)	Not Sure
[86] Buying a new factory in the United States	52	38	6	4
[87] Buying an old factory in the United States	52	39	5	4
[88] Buying stocks and bonds in the United States	48	41	5	6
[89] Buying farmland in the United States	23	70	4	3
[90] Buying office buildings in the United States	40	52	4	4
[91] Buying a bank in the United States	21	71	4	4
[92] Buying a company in the United States	36	51	9	4

## (FORM B)

22. The following is a list of statements about society. For each, please indicate whether you believe it better describes Japan and the Japanese, or the United States and Americans.

	Better Describes Japan	Better Describes The U.S.	Both Equally (VOL)	Does Not Describe Either (VOL)	Not Sure
[93] Intolerant of other races	40	46	5	1	8
[94] Honest in dealing with others and other countries	11	70	8	3	8
[95] Devoted to democracy	5	89	2	1	3
[96] Devoted to free trade	9	81	5	1	4
[97] Nationalistic, put a priority on matters concerning their own country	61	24	8	-	7
[98] Especially interested in making money	54	25	19	-	2
[99] Have strong family values	65	23	8	1	3
[100] Believe in free speech	2	93	2	-	3
[101] Happy with their lives	21	61	10	1	7
[102] Have a long-term perspective	51	35	8	1	5
[103] Selfish	33	44	14	2	7

## (BOTH FORMS)

23. Here are two situations that might occur. Which would you prefer? (READ CHOICES SLOWLY.)

Situation A, in which the U.S. economy grows at a high rate, but the Japanese economy grows even faster, and over a period of several years, Japan becomes the world's leading economic power.

or

Situation B, in which the U.S. economy grows at a slower rate than in "Situation A," but faster than the Japanese economy, and the U.S. continues to be the world's leading economic power.

Situation A ..... 9 [104]

Situation B ..... 86

Not sure ..... 5

Now, I'd like to ask you some questions about the federal budget and taxes.

24. From what you have seen and read recently, how likely do think it is that federal taxes will have to be raised this year--very likely, somewhat likely, not that likely, or not likely at all?

Very likely ..... 51 [107]  
 Somewhat likely ..... 38  
 Not that likely ..... 6  
 Not likely at all ..... 4  
 Not sure ..... 1

25a. One of President Bush's promises was that he would not raise taxes. Do you think he should keep that promise, or do you think conditions have changed and there are some things for which he should now support a tax increase?

Should not raise taxes ..... 48  
 Should raise taxes ..... 48  
 Not sure ..... 4  
 5/90 4/90 11/89  
 55 38 7 [108]

25b. From what you have seen and read recently, do you feel that President Bush is breaking his pledge of "no new taxes?"

Yes ..... 51 [109]  
 No ..... 42  
 Not sure ..... 7

26a. If President Bush and the leaders of both parties in Congress support a proposal that would cut defense spending, freeze most other governmental programs, including Social Security benefits, and increase taxes to drastically cut the federal budget deficit during the next four years, would you favor or oppose this proposal?

Favor ..... 36 [110]  
 Oppose ..... 59  
 Not sure ..... 5

26b. If the choice comes down to the following options, which would you prefer--living with the current federal budget deficit or raising taxes?

Living with the current federal budget deficit ..... 43 [111]  
 Raising taxes ..... 49  
 Not sure ..... 8

26c. If taxes are raised, who do you think will be mostly to blame--the administration of President Bush, the administration of Former President Reagan, or the Democrats in Congress?

The administration of President Bush ..... 16 [112]  
 The administration of Former President Reagan ..... 36  
 Democrats in Congress ..... 30  
 All equally (VOL) ..... 10  
 None of them (VOL) ..... 3  
 Not sure ..... 5

27a. Let us suppose the government needed to raise taxes. For each of the following, please tell me if you would favor or oppose raising that tax. (READ AND ITEM AND REPEAT CHOICES. START FROM THE BOTTOM AND WORK YOUR WAY UP ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)

			<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>
			44	55
[115]	1	2	26	72
			January 1990	
			Increasing the income tax rates for	
			individuals	
[116]	3	4	17	79
			January 1990	
			Enacting a national sales tax	
[117]	3	4	31	65
			January 1990	
			Raising alcohol and tobacco taxes	
[118]	1	2	83	16
			January 1990	
			Raising the capital gains tax rate	
			on the sale of stocks, bonds, and	
			real estate	
[119]	4	6	49	47
			January 1990	

27b. Let us suppose that in order to reduce the federal budget deficit some taxes had to be raised, and the choice came down to increasing the income tax rate for upper income earners or increasing the tax on gasoline. Which would you favor--increasing the income tax rate for upper income earners or increasing the tax on gasoline?

			Increasing the income tax rate for
			upper income earners
[120]	68	28	
			Increasing the tax on gasoline
			Raise both taxes (VOL)
			Not sure

28a. If taxes had to be raised, who do you trust more to make the right decisions about which taxes should be raised--President Bush or the Democrats in Congress?

			President Bush
[121]	43	43	
			Democrats in Congress
			Both the same (VOL)
			Neither (VOL)
			Not sure

28b. If President Bush agrees to go along with a federal budget deficit reduction proposal that includes a tax increase, would you feel that he has broken his promise of "no new taxes," or not?

			Yes, broken his promise
[122]	56	37	
			No, not broken his promise
			Depends (VOL)
			Not sure

28c. If President Bush agrees to go along with a federal budget deficit reduction proposal that includes a tax increase, would you think more of him, less of him, or would it make no difference in how you feel about him?

Now, I'd like to ask you a few questions about changing lifestyles.

28d. Do you have any children? (If "YES," ASK:) Do you get to spend as much time with your children as you would like, or not?

29a. Are you working more, about the same amount, or less at your job than you were a few years ago?

29b. Do you find it harder, about the same, or easier to make ends meet than you did a few years ago?

29c. Do you have more, about the same amount, or less leisure time than you did a few years ago?

29d. Do you have more leisure time than you would like, about the right amount, or less leisure time than you would like?

Would think more of him ..... 12 [123]  
 Would think less of him ..... 17  
 Would make no difference ..... 69  
 Not sure ..... 2

More ..... 31 [126]  
 About the same ..... 29  
 Less ..... 18  
 Not working/retired (VOL) ..... 21  
 Not sure ..... 1

Harder ..... 51 [127]  
 About the same ..... 30  
 Easier ..... 18  
 Not sure ..... 1

29c. Do you have more, about the same amount, or less leisure time than you did a few years ago?

More ..... 29 [128]  
 About the same amount ..... 30  
 Less ..... 40  
 Not sure ..... 1

29d. Do you have more leisure time than you would like, about the right amount, or less leisure time than you would like?

More than you would like ..... 11 [129]  
 About the right amount ..... 39  
 Less than you would like ..... 49  
 Not sure ..... 1

29e. Do you have any children? (If "YES," ASK:) Do you get to spend as much time with your children as you would like, or not?

Have children ..... 35 [130]  
 Spend as much time as with children as want ..... 37  
 Do not spend as much time with children as want ..... 27  
 Do not have children ..... 1  
 Not sure ..... 1

29f. Do you own a videocassette recorder (VCR)? (IF "YES," ASK:) Do you know how to program it to record a show when you are not around?

Yes, have a VCR	57
Do not know how to program it	18
No, do not have a VCR	25
Not sure	—

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**FACTUALS:** Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

F1. Did you happen to vote in the 1988 presidential election? (IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote--George Bush, the Republican, or Michael Dukakis, the Democrat?

Didn't vote	8
George Bush	54
Michael Dukakis	29
Other candidate (VOL)	3
Too young (VOL)	1
Not sure	5

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F2. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent, or something else?

(IF "DEMOCRAT OR REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong Democrat/Republican, or a not very strong Democrat/Republican? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "NOT STRONG DEMOCRAT/REPUBLICAN.")

(IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly Independent? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "STRICTLY INDEPENDENT.")

Strong Democrat	16
Not strong Democrat	14
Independent/lean Democrat	10
Strictly Independent	15
Independent/lean Republican	11
Not strong Republican	14
Strong Republican	16
Other	3
Refused	—
Don't know/nothing	1

[135]

F3. In politics today, do you generally consider yourself to be very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, very conservative, or haven't you thought much about it?

Very liberal	5	[136]
Somewhat liberal	20	
Moderate	28	
Somewhat conservative	25	
Very conservative	9	
No thoughts	12	
Not sure	1	

F4. What is the last grade you completed in school?

Grade school	1	[137]
Less than high school	9	
High school graduate	31	
Vocational training, 2-year college	26	
4-year college/Bachelor's degree	19	
Some postgraduate work, no degree	3	
2-3 years postgraduate work, Master's degree	10	
Doctoral degree/law degree	1	
Not sure	—	

F5. How old are you? (IF REFUSED, ASK:) Well, can you tell me which age group you belong to? Are you in the age group 18 to 24, 25 to 29, 30 to 34, 35 to 39, 40 to 44, 45 to 49, 50 to 54, 55 to 59, 60 to 64, or 65 and over?

18-24	10	[138]
25-29	8	
30-34	14	
35-39	14	
40-44	11	
45-49	7	
50-54	6	
55-59	6	
60-64	7	
65 and over	17	
Not sure/refused	—	

F6. What type of work do you do? (WRITE JOB DESCRIPTION IN SPACE BELOW.)

JOB DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

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Professional/manager ..... 28 [139]  
 White collar worker ..... 25  
 Blue collar worker ..... 20  
 Farmer ..... 2  
 Student ..... 1  
 Homemaker ..... 5  
 Retired ..... 17  
 Unemployed ..... 1  
 Never worked/not sure ..... 1

F7. Are you, or is any member of your household, a member of a labor union?

Labor union member ..... 13 [140]  
 Labor union household ..... 6  
 Non-union household ..... 80  
 Not sure ..... 1

F8. What is your marital status--are you single and never married, married, separated, divorced, or widowed?

Single ..... 20 [141]  
 Married ..... 64  
 Separated ..... 1  
 Divorced ..... 8  
 Widowed ..... 7  
 Not sure/refused ..... -

F9. In what religion were you brought up?

Protestant ..... 44 [142]  
 Catholic ..... 30  
 Jewish ..... 2  
 Other ..... 19  
 None ..... 3  
 Not sure/refused ..... 2

F10. Are you white, black, Hispanic, Asian, or something else?

83	White
10	Black
4	Hispanic
-	Asian
2	Other
1	Not sure/refused

F11. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than \$10,000, between \$10,000 and \$20,000, between \$20,000 and \$30,000, between \$30,000 and \$40,000, between \$40,000 and \$50,000, between \$50,000 and \$75,000, or would the total be more than that?

8	Less than \$10,000
16	Between \$10,000 and \$20,000
19	Between \$20,000 and \$30,000
16	Between \$30,000 and \$40,000
12	Between \$40,000 and \$50,000
21	\$50,000 +
8	Not sure/refused

F12. This survey is being conducted as part of continuing coverage of national issues by NBC News and *The Wall Street Journal*. A few reporters assigned to this story will be calling back a selected number of participants to get additional insights. Would you have any objection to being contacted?

85	Do not object
15	Object--do not call

May we please have your name and the town in which you live for validation purposes?

RESPONDENT'S NAME:

Mr./Mrs./Ms./Miss

(circle one)

Town:

RECORD THE FOLLOWING--DO NOT ASK!

TELEPHONE #:  
(Area Code)

Length of Interview:  
10 minutes or less ..... [146] -  
11 to 15 minutes ..... 5  
16 to 20 minutes ..... 26  
21 to 25 minutes ..... 29  
26 to 30 minutes ..... 25  
31 to 35 minutes ..... 9  
More than 35 minutes ..... 6

Call Attempt:

First call ..... 88 [147]  
Second call ..... 10  
Third call ..... 2

Interview began: ..... a.m., p.m. Interview ended: ..... a.m., p.m.  
(circle) (circle)

THIS IS A BONA FIDE INTERVIEW AND HAS BEEN OBTAINED  
ACCORDING TO MY AGREEMENT WITH HART-TEETER

Interviewer's Name (PLEASE SIGN):

Validated By: Date: